

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend paragraph [0009] of the specification to read as follows:

[0009] Siemens Components of Cupertino, California has described a device known as MultiMediaCards, or MMC; see Portable Design, July 1996, p 23 et seq. The original MultiMediaCard package had 6 edge-mounted contact pads and users a serial bus. This format has been extended into a 7 pin format as described in “The MultiMediaCard System Specification” produced by the Technical Committee of the MultiMediaCard Association (MMCA) ~~and available at the web site <http://www.mmca.org>~~. The specification accommodates a various range of voltage supply. The device is suitable for such applications as games, talking toys, automobile diagnostics, smart phones, PDAs (tailored operating systems or special programs), and notebooks through a PDA adapter. These cards provide mass non-volatile storage, but lack processing capabilities. The MultiMediaCard design has been further developed as the Secured Digital, or SD, card. This design adds additional data pins and security features to the MultiMediaCard package. ~~Further information on the SD format is available at the web site <http://www.sdcard.org>~~.